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Britons Killed In Semarang Situation Giving Cause For Anxiety

(By Vern Haugland)

SOURABAYA, Nov. 19. BRITISH AND INDIAN TROOPS ADVANCED 1,000 YARDS ON THEIR WEST FLANK YESTERDAY, CAPTURING THE LARGE LIMA SCHOOL AND OVERRUNNING THE LEPROSARIUM AND QUARANTINE STATION. THE LONG LINE OF THE GOVERNMENT BUILDING IS ALMOST THE SAME DISTANCE DUE WEST OF THE INDONESIAN HELD ORANGE HOTEL AND OTHER HOTELS. THE LINE SLOPES FROM THIS POINT NORTHEASTWARD TO THE KALI, 500 YARDS SOUTH OF THE GOVERNMENT BUILDING.

Damage Was 200,000 Pounds

TEL AVIV, NOV. 18. THE RECENT "ACTS OF SABOTAGE" IN TEL AVIV WERE WITHOUT JUSTIFICATION, MR. J. V. W. SHAW, ACTING HIGH COMMISSIONER FOR PALESTINE, SAID IN AN OFFICIAL STATEMENT MADE AT THE TOWN HALL HERE TODAY.

He made his statement in the presence of Major-General Bals, Commander of the Sixth Airborne Division; Brigadier Latibury, commanding the Third Parachute Regiment; the Major of Tel Aviv; and the Municipal Council.

Mr. Shaw said: "This morning I saw, with regret, the damage done by mobs to the city. The Government offices in Tel Aviv were established for the benefit of the city's population, and the majority of their employees were Jews. Now that all these have been destroyed, the District Office, the Income Tax office, the Post Office and the shops.

"I know that the Mayor and the whole Municipal Council regard the riots as particularly regrettable in the fact that there were losses of lives. The damage is estimated at about £200,000, according to one newspaper, and it will have to be considered how to cover the damage."

Mr. Shaw added: "It is hoped when the new High Commissioner arrives in Palestine shortly, Tel Aviv would have resumed its normal quiet life." Reuter.

ALICE JUST FILLED IT IN

LONDON, NOV. 19. ALICE DAWSON, 29-YEAR-OLD BLACKPOOL SCHOOL-TEACHER, HAS WON A FORTUNE BY SWEEPING A BIG FOOTBALL POOL THIS WEEK-END.

For her 2d. stake she received £17,000,000 or odds of 2,480,496 to 1.

Of course Alice knew nothing about football or she would never have forecast the correct results. She admitted she knew very little about the game and certainly never studied form.

"I just filled in the coupon hoping I would win a prize," is what she said yesterday.

No wonder there is hardly a home in Britain where football pools are not regularly entered for "just in case."—Reuter.

LASKI TURNS ON THE PRESS

LONDON, NOV. 19. PROFESSOR HAROLD J. LASKI, LABOUR PARTY EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN, TO-DAY ATTACKED THE BRITISH PRESS AND RADIO AS "A PART OF BIG BUSINESS" IN A SPEECH BEFORE THE LONDON CO-OPERATIVE SOCIETY.

"It is the business of the press to discover facts, but they give answers before they discover facts."

He said that the major propaganda of Britain is "under the control of a few people who are able to shape the mind of the individual."—Associated Press.

PAOTOW FALLS

Chungking, Nov. 19. A press report said that Chinese Communists have captured the Nationalist stronghold of Paotow in Inner Mongolia.—Reuter.

"Fratting" Not Liked

Osaka, Nov. 19. The bodies of an American soldier and a Japanese girl were found near a stream outside Osaka yesterday. Sixth Army investigation said they apparently were beaten to death with a club. The soldier's name was not released. Associated Press.

Situation In China Serious

TSINGTAO, Nov. 19. THE AMERICAN PUBLIC GENERALLY IS NOT AWARE OF THE SERIOUS SITUATION IN CHINA AND THE POSSIBILITY OF INVOLVEMENT OF UNITED STATES FORCES, UNDER SECRETARY OF NAVY ARTEMUS GATES TOLD A NEWS CONFERENCE HERE TO DAY.

He said no decision had been made on the future withdrawal of U.S. Marines and declined to comment on the suggestions concerning the Marines and China's civil strife, but said that he expected to make a detailed report to Secretary of Navy Forrestal. He also stated that the Navy and War Departments were aware of the problems of the American position in China.

He recommended Vice Admiral Daniel Barbey, new Seventh Fleet Commander, who recommended American forces be used only for disarming and retraining Japanese troops, rescuing Allied war prisoners and protecting and repatriating civilian internees.

Gates and Edwin Pauley, Special U.S. Reparations Commissioner, conferred with Admiral Barbey and with Maj. Gen. Leopold Shepherd, Sixth Marine Division Commander. They plan to go to Peiping and then return to the United States. Associated Press.

TALKS FAILURE

The once cordial British attitude towards currying a tame or docile and Indonesian conference to reach any kind of an agreement to end Java hostilities in one of keen disaccord.

The British said the Indonesians came unprepared to make any kind of genuine commitment after seemed unwilling even to enter treaty into discussions with the Dutch.

The Chinese Chamber of Commerce appealed today to the Chinese government to "take urgent steps" to protect the Chinese residents of the Java mining base from both British shelling and the Indonesian "scorched earth policy."

Aairman Chen Chou Liang said Chinese casualties were very heavy and "fighting appears likely to end soon." Other Chinese informants estimated 100 Chinese had been killed and 600 wounded in this area.

The appeal came while British Indian troops were clearing Indonesian extremists from the congested area between Semampang and Sidoarjo railway, largely inhabited by Chinese.

It was officially announced two British officers were killed and a Dutch woman wounded in an attack on the party's stalled automobile at Semarang yesterday. It was the first reported violence at Semarang in some weeks.—Associated Press.

GOVERNOR ARRESTED

Batavia, Nov. 19. The situation in Semarang gives cause for anxiety in view of the extreme aggressive attitude of the Indonesian Extremists, reports Ned Buckley, Reuter's special correspondent.

The Indonesian broadcast, declaring "war on the British" and calling on the Jokakarre Nationalists to reinforce those in Semarang has been picked up by a British radio listening post.

British troops are steadily clearing the disturbed areas in the town. The Indonesian Governor has been placed under arrest.

IT MAKES LITTLE DIFFERENCE

Sofia, Nov. 19. The Bulgarian Government has replied to the Washington criticism that important democratic elements were excluded from the national elections scheduled there for to-day.

The Communist-dominated Fatherland Front appeared to hold an overwhelming advance.

The British note, which was sent in August and which was the direct cause of the postponement of the elections, showed no indication that the British intended to join in the American protest.

Present developments indicate that there is a strong school among the Fatherland Front that makes little difference whether they have American and British recognition.—Associated Press.

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CRIME WAVE SWEEPS BRITAIN

GANGSTERISM ON CHICAGO MODEL

LONDON, NOV. 19.

ANOTHER "BIG THREE" MEETING IS PLANNED—THIS TIME TO DISCUSS INTERNATIONAL CRIME OF AN ILLEGAL KIND. THE CHIEFS OF BRITAIN'S C.I.D. AT NEW SCOTLAND YARD IN LONDON, THE U.S. F.B.I. IN WASHINGTON AND THE SURETE IN PARIS WILL SOON MEET HERE TO PONDER THE TRICKY METHODS OF GOLD CURRENCY SMUGGLERS. MEANWHILE AN ALL-TIME RECORD CRIME WAVE IS SWEEPING BRITAIN, AND LONDON IS FACED FOR THE FIRST TIME SINCE THE EARLY 1920'S WITH GANGSTERISM ON THE CHICAGO MODEL.

The Metropolitan and City police forces, the twin bodies which keep order throughout the 800 square miles of Greater London, are battling — unarmed — with a fierce outbreak of safe-breaking smash and grab raids and armed hold-ups.

Thousands of pounds worth of jewels have been stolen in recent weeks. Murders and woundings of men and women are almost daily reported.

The ever-notorious district of Pimlico, which includes Victoria Station, arrival and departure point for the Continent, has become so bad that barriers are to be thrown around dark squares by night.

Hundreds of Polish deserters have terrorized even habitual crooks who have been driven to seek "business" elsewhere.

While the latest scientific developments have been invoked by the criminals the London police, who beat the 1920 gangs, are up to date too.

The public asked to report anything that looks in the slightest degree suspicious, has only to dial "999" on the automatic telephone system to set in motion an intricate device which will send radio-directed police cars or launches if the River Thames is involved.

Then, when told that the increased old age pension could not be paid until March 1947 the agitated until a promise was exacted that it would come 20 months earlier.

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Labour leaders themselves are sometimes more disconcerted by these youngsters than by the Conservatives.—Reuter.

SPAIN HUNTS FOR MEN OF HONOUR

Madrid, Nov. 19. A "now and complete" pardon is to be granted to all those who fought against General Franco in the Spanish civil war.

Recipients are to be only those who were induced to become delinquents through "their own error, through the influence of evil propaganda or through special grave circumstances," or those who did not commit any act considered repulsive by "men of honour."

No definition of "men of honour" is given.—Reuter.

BIGGER PESTS THAN CHURCHILL

LONDON, NOV. 19. BRITAIN'S YOUTH ARE DEFINITELY SWINGING TO THE LEFT, AND PROMINENT IN THEIR RANKS IS THE YOUNG SOCIALIST PARTY WHICH HAS ACHIEVED SOME NOTABLE VICTORIES.

They refused the late Coalition Government's civil aviation policies put before them by their leaders, made them take it back and repudiated and socialist.

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ETERNITY THROUGH A MAMMOTH TELESCOPE

PASADENA, CALIFORNIA, NOV. 19. DRIVEN BY AN INSTINCT WHICH HE CLAIMS IS INHERITED FROM THE APES, AN AMERICAN SCIENTIST NAMED HERCIL SOMETIME NEXT YEAR WILL HAVE A CHANCE TO SATISFY HIS "INSATIABLE CURIOSITY."

Squatting like a giant toadstool on the floor of the dustiest specially heated astrophysics laboratory of the California Institute of Technology is a piece of glass with which he hopes to peer eternity.

The Socialist Parliamentary Party, after its meeting last night, said that the party was opposed to the formation of any two-party Government and appealed to the Communists and the M.R.P. to unite in the higher interest of the country.

STRAIGHT VOTE

A statement of the Socialist party said that the Party had "come to the conclusion that despite the efforts of the part of the Socialist delegates and in view of General de Gaulle's speech and the statement by the Bureau of the Communist Party irreconcilably laying down its attitude in this matter, it is impossible to form a Government of national unity based on the three principal parties and headed by General de Gaulle."

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THE INSTRUMENT AND THE OBSERVATORY TO HOUSE IT COST \$10,000,000.

Secretary of the Institute forecasts "Hitherto unbreakable mysteries of the universe will be brought into the focus of man. It's only a matter of time."

Dr. Max Mason, of the California Institute, goes even further: "We seek," he says, "nothing less than clues to the greatest mystery, existence itself. We grope dimly through ignorance driven by insatiable curiosity inherited from our simian ancestry."—Reuter.

WASHINGTON NOT KEEN

WASHINGTON, NOV. 19. SUGGESTIONS FOR AN EARLY MEETING OF PRESIDENT TRUMAN, STALIN AND ATTLEE ARE GETTING A VERY COOL RECEPTION AT THE WHITE HOUSE AND THE STATE DEPARTMENT. THERE ARE SOME INDICATIONS THAT WASHINGTON WANTS SUCH A GATHERING LESS THAN EITHER LONDON OR MOSCOW.

British officials gave newsmen the impression that Attlee has been told how he would consider a big-three meeting as potentially very valuable.

Following the announcement of the Anglo-American atomic control proposal word came from Moscow that diplomatic authorities reported preliminary moves for a big-three meeting were under way. A news despatch said that the aim would be to solve the current deadlocks on big policy.

Inquiry shows that some of the highest officials in Washington know of no plans for a conference. However, should either Attlee or Stalin take the position that a gathering is urgently desirable it will almost certainly be held.

The attitude of the White House, as well as the State Department, seems to be that problems now requiring big powers' decisions can be solved by diplomatic representatives.—Associated Press.

RENEGADE HUNTS FOR A WILL

London, Nov. 19. Former officer in the Seafort Highlanders, Norman Baillie-Stewart, has hopes of coming into a small fortune, enough to pay for his trial defence when he faces a charge of high treason.

A search is being made for his mother's will, in which he believes he was left a legacy. His mother died in a Cornish cottage last year. She had been left £4,875 by her husband.

Baillie-Stewart could not claim on the estate earlier because he was in Germany, had not heard of his mother's death until charged with treason.—Associated Press.

Moscow, Nov. 19. Marc Ethridge, U.S. Secretary of State Byrnes' personal observer in the Balkans, left Moscow yesterday by air for Bucharest. He will study the Rumanian situation and later report to Washington. Ethridge also expects to pay one more visit to Bulgaria, which he had visited prior to the Sunday elections.—Associated Press.

PRAYERS BEFORE PSYCHE

LONDON, NOV. 19.

PROFESSOR HAROLD LASKI, CHAIRMAN OF THE BRITISH LABOUR PARTY, IN THE LEFT WING PAPER "REYNOLD'S NEWS," TO-DAY SEVERELY CRITICIZED THE USE OF INDIAN TROOPS IN JAVA AND INDO-CHINA.

"THE JAVA WAR IS NOT OUR BUSINESS," PROFESSOR LASKI ADDED AND SAID THAT HE DOES NOT WANT

DER IF THE USE OF THESE TROOPS HAS "PROVOKED AN ANGRY OUTRUST OF CRITICISM FROM IN-

DIA."

We stand there face to face with a nation which, whatever its division, is at least agreed on demanding its own freedom and its right to self-government. We are committed half-heartedly, perhaps, but still committed to the duty of making that freedom and self-government available to India with the least possible delay.

I submit that it is not a good advertisement of the sincerity of our intentions to use the troops of a nation, aspiring to freedom, to crush the aspirations of two other groups of people with the same aspirations.

WHILE BRITAIN'S POLICE LOOK FOR CROOKS, HER CLERGY ARE SEEKING A SAINT WHO CAN BE EITHER A "BISHOP OF A GREAT SOLDIER" TO LEAD A CRUSADE AGAINST WHAT CHURCHMEN TERM THE CURRENT "SPIRITUAL BANKRUPTCY" OF THE COUNTRY.

The August Parliament of Britain's Anglican churches (those under the jurisdiction of the Archbishop of Canterbury) has been meeting in London.

One speaker at the meeting said he had seen the waiting rooms of neurologists and psychiatrists crowded with people who should be told to take not another round of golf or another weekend at the seaside but to go and say their prayers."—Reuter.

WELL-DISGUISED BLESSING

LONDON, Nov. 19.

Winston Churchill's friends assure him that Labour's victory may prove for him a blessing in disguise. But he still retains "Remarkably well disguised."

Britain's former Premier, whose 71st birthday is on Nov. 20, is again dragging vitality. His family who are hurt. A woman relative told a visiting American intellectual: "Britain is a most ungrateful country!"—Reuter.

He warned the Legion it must fight against "treacherous apathy and restlessness which seems to overwhelm us when the immediate danger passes." He called for universal military training and strong preparedness measures.—Associated Press.

"GRAF SPEE" VICTOR

London, Nov. 19.

Vice-Admiral Henry B. Lockwood, who defeated the German battleship "Graf Spee" off the coast of South America, has retired with the rank of full Admiral.—Associated Press.

ATHENS, Nov. 19.

**BRITISH' MILITARY
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Wiring Rules may be had on
application to Head Office, P. & O.
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**HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB
NOTICE**

At a meeting of members held
Saturday, 17th November,
45, it was resolved that racing
Hongkong should be resumed
soon as possible.

In view of this, the Club wishes
make known that lists are
now open at the Secretary's office
Floor, Exchange Building,
where names can be registered as
subscribers for Australian Ponies.
The lists will close at 6 p.m. on
Friday, the 30th November, 1945.

For the benefit of Members
in the Services who are not
acquainted with the procedure,
the Club wishes to point out that
several names can be registered
for one pony and that there is no
difficulty in one or more part
owners disposing of his or their
shares in a pony in the event of
their transfer from Hongkong.

By order of the Stewards,
H. ROZARIO,
Acting Secretary.

**REPATRIATION NOTICE
No. 37**

AMERICAN CITIZENS ONLY

The undermentioned persons
are warned to stand by in re-
sidence to leave for MANILA
(en route for U.S.A.) by H.M.S.
"Glory" which may leave Hong
Kong on Wednesday, 21st Novem-
ber or shortly afterwards.

Instructions as to places and
times for embarkation will be
published later.

Those who have not received
certificates from the United States
Consul and who desire to be
repatriated must call at the
Consulate and also on the Re-
patriation Officer before 1 p.m.
Tuesday, 20th November.

Mrs. M. A. Boulton,
Miss Dorothy W. K. Chin &

two brothers.
Mrs. Dellano Chin & two sons.

Mr. & Mrs. T. P. Gregory and
daughter.

Mr. & Mrs. C. R. Jonson and
daughter.

Mr. A. B. W. Nancy.

Miss Ching Chui-poi and two
brothers.

REPATRIATION OFFICE,

19th November, 1945.

**BRITISH MILITARY ADMIN-
ISTRATION, HONG KONG.
DELEGATION OF POWERS
(AMENDMENT).**

PROCLAMATION NO. 4

ARTICLE 1

Order No 6

**OFFICERS TO DISCHARGE
CERTAIN DUTIES AND EXERCISE
CERTAIN AUTHORITIES
(AMENDMENT)**

In exercise of the powers con-
ferred upon me by Article 1 of the
above-mentioned Proclamation, I,
DAVID MURCER MacDOUGALL,
Brigadier, Chief Civil
Affairs Officer, hereby make the
following Order:

The Schedule to Order No. 1,
Article 1, Proclamation No. 4,
Delegation of Powers (Amendment)
is hereby amended as follows:

1. By the addition of the words
"Licensing Board" immediately
after the words "Immigration Officer".
2. By the addition of the word
"Magistrate" immediately
after the words "Marine
Magistrate".

GIVEN under my hand at
HONG KONG this 18th day of
November, 1945.

D. M. MacDOUGALL,
Brigadier,
Chief Civil Affairs Officer.

GAZETTE EXTRAORDINARY
(Issued by Authority of the
Commander-in-Chief)

**BRITISH MILITARY ADMIN-
ISTRATION, HONG KONG**

**PROCLAMATION NO. 6
(AMENDMENT)**

MORATORIUM

I, CECIL HALLIDAY
JEPSON HAROURT, C.B.
C.B.E., Rear Admiral in His
Britannic Majesty's Fleet and
Commander-in-Chief of His
Britannic Majesty's Forces in
Hongkong DO HEREBY
PROCLAIM:

ARTICLE 1

SHORT TITLE
This Proclamation may be cited
as "The Moratorium" (No. 1)
Amendment Proclamation.

ARTICLE 2

**AMENDMENT OF THE MOR-
ATORIUM PROCLAMATION**

The Moratorium Proclamation
is hereby amended by the insertion
of a new Part V as shown in the
Schedule hereto and the re-
numbering of Part V as Part VI
and of Article 11 as Article 14.

SCHEDULE

**PART V - DEALINGS IN
SECURITIES**

ARTICLE 11

**DEALINGS IN SECURITIES PRO-
HIBITED DURING THE PERIOD
OF THE MORATORIUM**

No person shall sell, transfer
or do anything which involves
the creation of a charge on any
shares, stocks, bonds, notes,
debentures or debenture stocks
save with the prior approval in
writing of the Finance Controller.

ARTICLE 12

**REGISTRATION PROHIBITED
EXCEPT IN RESPECT OF DEAL-
INGS PERMITTED UNDER THE
PROVISION OF ARTICLE 11**

No dealings since the 26th
December, 1941, in the Securities
to which the Prohibition in
Article 11 applies shall be regis-
tered or given effect to in any
register required under the Com-
panies Ordinance, 1932, or any
amendment thereto to be kept by
any company provided that this
restriction shall not apply to any
dealing for which the prior
approval in writing of the Finance
Controller has been obtained.

ARTICLE 13

EXEMPTION
The Chief Civil Affairs Officer
may by general or specific order
and upon such conditions if any
as he may think fit modify or
terminate the restriction is con-
tained respectively in Articles 11
and 12 hereof, or grant exemption
therefrom to such extent and in
such manner as he may think fit.

GIVEN under my hand at
HONGKONG this 17th day of
November, 1945.

CECIL HAROURT,

Commander-in-Chief,

Hongkong Forces.

BARRACKS THEFT

Two unemployed Chinese, Loung
Sun, 30, and Wong Lee, 31, were
both sentenced to four weeks' hard

labour by Mr. C. Y. Kwan at the
Summary Military Court yesterday.

Accused was arrested carrying a

bag of opium and started to walk away.

Accused was chased and arrested

by a Chinese constable.

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"I respectfully submit that you

cannot call a witness not merely

to repeat his evidence but to re-

call him to give a ruling on behalf

of Alexander Martin that through

the Court has power, that disre-

cted that previous evidence in toto.

When the Court resumed its

sitting in the afternoon, the

President, Capt. Alexander C. Y.

Maddens, of H.M.S. Anson, read

the Court's verdict, to the effect

that the Court had no power to

call him to give a ruling on behalf

of Alexander Martin that through

the Court has power, that disre-

cted that previous evidence in toto.

Firstly, the Court found that

the charge against the accused

had not been proved and he was,

therefore, acquitted of the same,

Secondly, that the Court was of

the opinion that there was no

evidence that cast any reflection on

Alexander Martin that through

the Court has power, that disre-

cted that previous evidence in toto.

Defence challenged

When the proceedings were

continued yesterday morning, the

Judge Advocate, Lt. Cmdr. H. D.

Barry, R.N.R.V., challenged the

Defence's submission in regard

to an alleged alteration of state-

ment on the part of one of the

principal witnesses, Ho Ling-wing,

an 18-year-old boy, on the ground

that the Defence had a wrong ver-

sion of the statement, though based

on the stenographer's notes.

The President ruled that the

verdict be admitted that the Court

could rely upon from its memory

of witness' statement, and re-

quested that the Defence be pre-

pared to accept this version.

Mr. da Silva, replying, stated

that he would not admit any

one way or another as the whole

question was one of considerable

importance to the Defence.

Defence contended then stated that

while he was aware that the

Court had power under the King's

Regulations to recall a witness

after the case for the prosecution

had been declared closed, he was

now ready to submit direct dia-
logue from leading cases as to when

the Court should or should not

recall witnesses in a case.

PRECEDENT

Mr. da Silva submitted that no

precedent was too great in the in-

H.K. Battle Talk

It is most encouraging to see that a group of Toe II has once again been formed in Kowloon, and still more pleasing that it is able to contact members from Branches all over the world, at the weekly meetings on Tuesdays at 7.30 p.m. in St. Andrew's Vicarage.

It is hoped that a Branch may be well established here, so that when the majority of Servicemen have left the area, civilian members will have been found to continue the running of the Branch.

Last Tuesday evening the speaker was Bob Fuller of the Epson Branch who spoke on "Service," an important ideal of Toe II, as he had seen it carried out by various Branches throughout the world.

This evening it is hoped that a talk will be given on the Battle of Hong Kong as seen by an observer during the occupation. The Branch would like this opportunity of welcoming anyone interested to the meeting.

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Severe Growing Pains In Canton's Recovery

CANTON, NOV. 18.—IT IS MONTHS SINCE THE JAPS CAPITULATED IN "UNCONDITIONAL SURRENDER" AND CANTON, ONE OF THE GREAT METROPOLISES OF CHINA, VERY SLOWLY WORKS HER WAY BACK TO NORMALITY. DURING THIS PROCESS OF RECOVERY AND DEVELOPMENT INTO A FIRST-CLASS MODERN METROPOLIS, SHE IS GOING THROUGH SEVERE GROWING PAINS. IN CANTON EVERY DAY, WE MEET IN THE STREETS, SOLDIERS IN DIFFERENT TYPES OF UNIFORM. THE ALLIED FORCES, MOST OF THEM AMERICANS, CAME FROM DIFFERENT PARTS OF THE INTERIOR OF CHINA.

They are going back home via Canton. They are to be demobilized when they return to their homeland. But there is no sign of the demobilization of Chinese soldiers in Canton. The number of Chinese civilians returning from different parts of the interior is steadily growing, and it is causing a rapid increase of prices for different commodities in Canton. This is a dangerous development and if not properly controlled, may cause trouble. Instead of demobilization and a return to peaceful development, it may lead to some kind of conflict.

BOMB HAVOC

During the eight years of war, Canton was subjected to heavy bombing. At the beginning of the war she was the victim of Japanese aerial bombardment, and after the Japanese occupation, Canton was bombed by Allied Air Forces. The city is full of war scars. Even the busiest business centres were bomb-wrecked and turned down buildings. This has dealt Canton a hard blow. The economic strength of the population is naturally weakened. It regularizes municipal taxation and the upkeep of the police force.

It also creates a difficult housing problem. These two months rapid increase of the population merely emphasizes it. It involves also sanitation. With these rains, as breeders for mosquitoes, these rats have greatly multiplied. In addition, there are hills of rubbish on different streets corners. It is true the municipal authorities are trying to clean them up. Every day Japanese war prisoners are even cleaning up, but the process is not fast enough.

PROGRESS SLOW

In comparison with Hong Kong, Canton progress is slow. Reduced economic power, great increase of the city's population, inadequate supplies and high prices do not help.

Some war profiteers use their surplus wealth to hoard daily necessities and make prices shoot up faster. The daily wage earner cannot stand the strain and even the man of the middle class feels the pressure.

The Canton Emergency Relief Committee is busy working with the C. I. R. C.

Both have several departments such as Welfare, Service, Medical and Training, and each department has its own field of work. The service department establishes canteen stations, cheap price stations, material relief etc.

RELIEF WORK

There are eight canteen stations spread over different sections of Canton. The attempt to establish cheap price restaurants is also well on under way, and one has already been established in Wing Hon Road. Employment bureaus and the work relief measures of the service department carry on a work which really is a help to the Canton population.

The Medical Department has clinics, vaccination stations, black car stations and sick beggar stations. There are five clinics in the city, a black car station at Pun Fork Road, and a sick beggar hospital inside Fong Pin Hos-

LOST THEIR BAL

A common gambling house at No. 130, Wellington Street, was raided by a Marine patrol when a small boy was calling for players outside the house about 4 a.m. on Sunday. As a result, the keeper Yuen Man, 28, unemployed, and eight others were arrested and charged (H.K. \$10.—) to:

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Counterfeit Notes

DURING the last few days counterfeit \$5 notes of the Hong Kong and Shanghai Bank and the Mercantile Bank, and \$1 (old issue) of the Hong Kong Government have made their appearance on the market.

The imitations are crude and are similar to counterfeit notes on the market before the war. The \$5 Hong Kong Bank notes are mostly of the 1934 issue.

Indian Leader On The Sands Of Fate

V. K. KRISHNA MENON, GENERAL SECRETARY OF THE INDIA LEAGUE GAVE A WARNING THAT "SANDS OF FATE WERE RUNNING OUT" ON THE QUESTION OF INDIAN INDEPENDENCE TO DAY.

MENON WAS ADDRESSING A CONFERENCE AT CHORLTON-ON-MEDLOCK, THE SECOND OF A SERIES OF NATION-WIDE, ONE DAY CONFERENCES ORGANIZED BY THE INDIA LEAGUE TO FOOTS BRITISH PUBLIC OPINION ON INDIA.

Under the banner of "Democracy for India," Menon told an audience of over 300 that six months after the Labour Government came to power the situation regarding India was as bad as when Leopold Amery was at the helm.

"I find that the statement carries its own condemnation," Menon added. "Prime Minister Attlee should not tell the American Congress that Britain offered India a chance to govern herself in 1942 for while there is such ignorance of Indian affairs among those who preside over them, how can we hope for the future?"

"The whole of India welcomed the coming to power of the Labour Government and hoped it would mark the beginning of a new phase in relations between the two countries."

"India also welcomed the recall of the Viceroy but he should have returned for one purpose only to take back to India instructions implementing the mandate given by the British electorate on the question of India."

A DISGRACE

OR the forthcoming elections Menon said that the franchise system was a disgrace, adding "Only in Germany to-day can a parallel be found."

Referring to the appointment of Frederick John Burrows as Governor of Bengal, Menon said, "People do not want anyone to govern them—they want to rule themselves for a change. Instances such as those show that the Labour Government has failed to take advantage of the goodwill that has spread throughout India when they came to power."

Declaring that the people of Indonesia and Indo-China were people with whom they had kinship, Menon added, "We do not want to see our humiliation and subjection paraded before the world by the British or Indian troops against these people."

Britain has reached the high-water mark of popular expression in government but if people do not see to it that pledges to India are fulfilled then the nations will part in hatred.

Indian leaders cannot hold for over the masses who have been starved and humiliated for so long."

NOT TOO LATE

K. C. Reddy, of the Mysore State Congress drew a parallel between the British action in Indonesia and Bevin's recent warning to Russia.

"It is no use, the British Foreign Minister accusing Russia of cutting across the throat of the British Empire when Britain alone goes to the aid of the Dutch in Indonesia to prop up their imperialism," Reddy said. "China, Russia, America and the rest of the Allies have completely refused to take part in this quarrel."

Does Britain interfere because she is afraid that the torch of freedom which will be lit in Indonesia would be a signal for setting in motion the freedom movement in Burma, Malaya and India?

Time has come when the British people should assert itself to see that India is given immediate independence.

"It is not too late for Britain to forge a new bond of friendship with Free India. We cannot wait longer for our freedom because we need it to solve the problem of our poverty."

Other speakers included D. W. Griffiths, Labour Member of Parliament for the Mossside Division of Manchester and his unsuccessful Liberal opponent in the election, Donald Moore.

The struggle of the Indian people is on a level with the struggle of any section of the British working-class people to improve their conditions," Griffiths declared.

The store in Garden Road. The total value was \$25.

Sentence of four weeks' hard labour was imposed.

Another Chinese Wong Wing, 23, was sentenced to four weeks' hard labour for larceny of two water vials from the store near Belcher Fort on Saturday.

Deserting Hirohito

TOKYO, Nov. 19.—INCREASING descriptions of Imperial Palace guards are reported by Kyodo News Agency.

It said they complained that their life was too much like that of soldiers.—Associated Press.

The girls are known as "Lucia." Lucia must get up at 5 a.m., wear a white dress and carry burning candles in her hair. Attended by pages she must go from room to room in the home where she is queen for a day carrying coffee and small dry cakes on a glass tray.

At the door she pauses and sings "Lucia" in a clear, solemn voice after which the pages ranged on each side of her singing "Staffan stellande" an old Swedish folk song, with which the ceremony of light has been associated for hundreds of years.

When the coffee and cakes have been served and eaten in bed Lucia must be served by all the household until night when she must hand round the first "glogg," a syrupy alcoholic drink with raisins of winter. Then she will dance, with the candles still in her hair, and later receive her "Lucia present," generally a piece of jewellery.—Reuters.

MOTHER AND DAUGHTER IN THE DOCK

A maid-servant, Lung Tai, was charged before Mr. C. Y. Kwan at the Summary Military Court yesterday with larceny of \$4,200 from her master Mr. Leung Tak wah at No. 4, Kui Yiu Fong second floor, on Saturday last.

Her mother, Cheng Ying-foon, was charged with receiving the money.

First accused pleaded guilty, while the mother denied the charge.

It was alleged that the girl stole the money from her master and bought three gold finger rings and a pair of jade earrings. She then gave the rest to her mother.

A sum of \$3,230.10 together with the jewellery was recovered when the accused were arrested.

The case was adjourned until to-morrow. Inspector Fyffe was in charge of the case.

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Concerted Arab Stand On Palestine Mooted

11 Jap Leaders Arrested

TOKYO, NOV. 19.—GENERAL MACARTHUR TODAY ORDERED THE ARREST OF ELEVEN JAPANESE WAR LEADERS, INCLUDING MILITARISTS MOST PROMINENTLY ASSOCIATED IN THE IMPERIALISTIC DECADE AND CIVILIANS LINKED IN DRAWING JAPAN INTO THE TRIPARTITE PACT.

Included in the arrests were Yosuke Matsukata, American-educated former Foreign Minister; Toshio Shiratori, former Ambassador to Rome; General Sadao Arakawa, former War Minister; Kunimasa Kono, former Premier; Taro Minami, once known as the brains of the militarist clique; Baron General Shigenobu Honjo, former Commander-in-Chief of the Kwantung Army who was considered responsible for the Mukden incident; retired General Iwami Matsui, charged with the rape of Nanking and the bombing of the U.S.S. "Panay"; and the two accused top leaders of the Black Dragon Society, Yoshisuke Kanzo and Kanemoto Kanokogi. Associated Press

JUST SPOILING FOR A FIGHT

ATHENS, NOV. 19.—ONE HUNDRED THOUSAND GREEKS JAMMED CONSTITION SQUARE IN A MASS DEMONSTRATION AGAINST THE BRITISH AND UNITED STATES OFFICES OF RECONVENTION OF THE ALBANIAN GOVERNMENT SHOUTING "WE ARE GOING TO FIGHT OVER NORTHERN EPIRUS."

The Greek Bishop of Albania told the multitude that if the Allies do not give Greece Northern Epirus through trustee "we shall take it by strength."

Northern Epirus is in the border area as now part of Albania. The Greeks claim it historically, culturally and ethnically as their

Professional, labour and socialist leaders charged that the Allies are deserting them. Associated Press

British Football Fans Have A New Idol

(By Reuters' Sports Editor)

LONDON, NOV. 19.—WISE STATESMEN REALISE THAT SPORTSMEN CAN BE AS GOOD AMBASSADORS AS PROFESSIONAL DIPLOMATS AND, FOLLOWING THE RECEPTION THE MOSCOW DYNAMO FOOTBALL XI HAS RECEIVED IN THIS COUNTRY, STALIN MUST BE WISHING HE HAD SENT THEM EVEN SOONER.

BUT HE CHOSE THE RIGHT TIME, WHEN ENTHUSIASM IN THIS COUNTRY AMONG THE MAN IN THE STREET FOR THE SOVIET WAS NOT AS WARM AS IT WAS DURING THE WAR AND WAS ON THE WANE.

Nothing could have succeeded better in bringing the two countries together than this astute move in sending us the Dynamos. But there was a sticky beginning to the visit. Soviet reluctance had caused many a rapprochement and it was only the play and demeanour on the field of the team at Chelsea that righted matters.

The Dynamos are heroes. If you ask a smart boy "What is a 'dynamo'?" he would probably say "A Soviet football team." Ten days ago he would have replied just as promptly "An engine."

There is not the least doubt that these soccer machines have caught the public imagination. No sporting event since the war received such space in London's still brief newspapers as the Dynamos' game with Chelsea.

Every day had a big front-page splash and a report on the game inside or on the back page. The players have been eulogised to the skies.

They are good, there is no doubt about that, but I am reserving my judgment before I'd say they are good enough to meet and beat an all-England or all-Scotland side.

FIRST DIVISION STANDARD

It must be remembered that Chelsea are not a good side and they played very poorly against the Dynamos. Cardiff are not a good side either and Arsenal are but shadows of their former selves. Hence it would not be a great feat to beat all three.

I rate the Dynamos as a good First Division team, lacking

SIGNBOARD STOLEN

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MOVES FOR A CONCERTED ARAB STAND OVER THE PALESTINE ISSUE WERE INDICATED BY THE CHAIRMAN OF THE ARAB LEAGUE COUNCIL, JAMIL MARDAM BEY, HERE TO NIGHT IN A BROADCAST, DISCLOSING THAT THE MEMBER-STATES OF THE ARAB LEAGUE ARE "DOING THEIR UTMOST" FOR THE ARAB CAUSE IN THE HOLY LAND.

MARDAM BEY, BROADCASTING ON THE NEAR-EAST ARAB BROADCASTING SERVICE, SAID: "THE MAIN REASON FOR MY PRESENT VISIT TO PALESTINE IS TO CONTACT THE ARAB LEADERS AND INSTITUTIONS IN ORDER TO DISCUSS WITH THEM THE STEPS TO BE TAKEN IN THE GRAVE CIRCUMSTANCES IN WHICH PALESTINE IS NOW INVOLVED."

Stressing the Arab League's interest in the Palestine problem, Mardam Bey described it as "only the natural expression of Arab concern and dictated by duty."

He added that the member-states of the Arab League are doing their utmost to discharge this national duty and have set up committees to study the questions of land redemption and its return to the hands of the Zionist leaders.

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JEWISH THREAT

They later conferred with the City's Mayor, Mr. Israel Rokach, and the Municipal Council, and an announcement of their decisions may be published to-night.

Tel-Aviv itself was quiet to-day, heavy rain keeping the citizens indoors, although the curfew was lifted during the day light hours.

The Jewish secret wireless, in a broadcast to-night, declared that the Jews would not surrender fire arms in their possession, as demanded by an official proclamation.

The broadcast asserted that each Jew "will prefer to suffer the death penalty rather than leave his people undefended."

Declaring that the recent outbreaks in Palestine were not the work of any Jewish organisation, the broadcast accused the police and military of having fired at unarmed children and said that the attacks upon the Jews would not remain unanswered.

It is officially announced that the curfew in Tel Aviv will be lifted to-morrow between 0530 and 0800 hours. The curfew may be lifted altogether from Tuesday if no further outbreaks occur.

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ARAB SYMPATHY

Premier Abdallah of Transjordan, now in Jerusalem to discuss with Mardam Bey and other prominent Arabs.

Reuter's syndicate correspondent in London reports that the impression prevailing there to-night was that the Arab circles are viewing Mr. Bey's statement on Palestine their careful consideration.

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Cold But Rich

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Parri On The Spot

ROME, NOV. 19.—THE ITALIAN PREMIER FERRUCIO PARRI, WHO IS THREATENED BY A RIGHT-WING REVOLT, CALLED A CABINET MEETING FOR MONDAY WHEN IT IS EXPECTED A DEMAND FROM THE LIBERAL PARTY FOR A BROADENING OF THE PROVISIONAL GOVERNMENT WILL BE EXAMINED.

The council included the heads of the six government coalition parties.

The secretary of the Liberal Party, Leone Cattani, said Parri's Action Party already had turned down a proposal for broadening the Cabinet, but that the attitude of the other parties was not likely to be defined until after the meeting of the council.

Foreign Minister de Gasperi's Christian Democrat Party is regarded as holding the future of the Parri Government in its hands. Should they back the liberals' demand, then Parri is expected to fall. Associated Press.

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ROOSEVELT TIFF WITH ADMIRAL

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RETired Admiral J. O. RICHARDSON WHO IS ON THE CONGRESSIONAL COMMITTEE LIST IS TO BE ASKED FOR A COMPLETE STORY OF THE REASONS WHY THE FLEET WAS BASED AT PEARL HARBOUR AND ABOUT HIS DISAGREEMENT WITH ROOSEVELT.

Richardson, who was Commander-in-Chief of the Pacific Fleet in 1940, surrendered his command to Admiral Kimmel in 1941. Kimmel held the post at the time of the Pearl Harbour attack.

Just what Richardson's differences with the late President were had never been officially published. Rumour long had it that he objected when Roosevelt wanted to transfer some naval units from the Pacific to the Atlantic.

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